FISCAL NOTE

TO: Chief Clerk of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

FROM: James A. Davenport, Executive Director

DATE: April 10, 1995

SUBJECT: **SB 1471 - HB 1315**

This bill, if enacted, will increase the penalty for simple possession or casual exchange of a Schedule I drug from a Class A misdemeanor to a Class C felony.

The fiscal impact from enactment of this bill is estimated to be an increase in state expenditures of \$244,115 for incarceration*. This estimate is based upon 17 convictions each year receiving a sentence of three years and actually serving 30% or 324 days at a cost of \$44.32 per day.

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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^{*}Section 9-6-119, TCA, requires that: For any law enacted after July 1, 1986, which results in a net increase in periods of imprisonment in state facilities, there shall be appropriated from recurring revenues the estimated operating cost of such law.